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Inventor: Patrick Lodola

Attorney Docket: 1279.029  
Customer No. 023907

Title: *Method for the management of a Decoder Connected to the Internet, and Associated Decoder*

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS  
OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is a response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application mailed February 22, 2001 in the above-captioned application. The following documents are submitted:

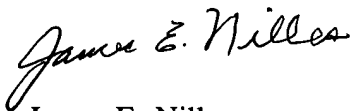
- 1) Notice to File Missing Parts of Application.
- 2) Check in the amount of \$970 in payment of the following fees by a large entity: basic filing fee (\$710), late-filing of Declaration (\$130), and application filed in a language other than English (\$130).
- 3) Executed 2-page Declaration.
- 4) Verified English translation (seven pages of specification, nine claims, Abstract, and one sheet of drawings) of the application as originally filed in the French language.
- 5) Preliminary Amendment.

- 6) Certified copy of the priority document, French Application No. 00 00037, filed on January 4, 2000, for the purpose of claiming its priority.
- 7) Information Disclosure Statement, PTO Form 1449, and references.

It is respectfully requested that the enclosed verified English translation of this application be used as the copy for examination purposes.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any extension or additional fees or credit any overpayment associated with this or any other communication in connection with the above-captioned patent application to Deposit Account No. 14-1080.

Respectfully submitted,



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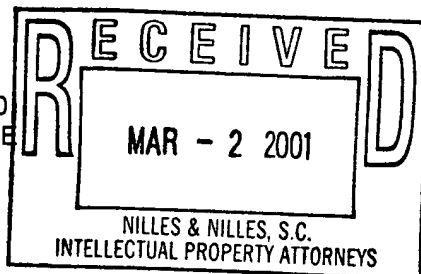


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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
*Applicant must submit \$ 710 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).*
  - The oath or declaration is unsigned.
  - To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
  - The application was filed in a language other than English. Applicant is required to provide an English translation of the specification and a statement that the translation is accurate. (See 37 CFR 1.52(d)).
  - Applicant must file an English translation of the application, the \$ 130 fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(k), unless previously submitted, and a statement that the translation is accurate (37 CFR 1.52(d)).
  - Because your specification was filed in a language other than English, the Office was unable to determine the number of claims submitted. Additional claim fees may be due once the number of claims can be determined.
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| 03 FC:139 | 130.00 OP |
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 970.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:

- drawing figures contain text that is not in English (including, for example, a flow chart that was originally not in English that has been marked up to include the English text) see 37 CFR 1.84(p)(2) and 37 CFR 1.52(d)(1);

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*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*



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